

COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF ABERDEEN
Charter Amendment Resolution No. 13-CR-01

Introduced By:	Mayor Michael E. Bennett
Date Introduced:	May 20, 2013
Date Adopted:	May 20, 2013
Date Effective:	August 1, 2013

1 **A CHARTER AMENDMENT RESOLUTION** concerning

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3 **Exemption from Harford County Laws**

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5 **FOR** the purpose of providing that, effective August 1, 2013, the City of Aberdeen is exempt
6 from certain Harford County laws enacted before, on or after that date.

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8 **BY** adding
9 § V.18
10 Charter of the City of Aberdeen

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12 **SECTION 1. BE IT RESOLVED BY THE COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF**
13 **ABERDEEN** that new §V.18 is added to the Charter of the City of Aberdeen, to follow
14 immediately after §V.17, and to read as follows:

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16 **§ V. The City Council.**

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18 18. UNDER THE AUTHORITY CONFERRED BY ARTICLE 23A, § 2B(A)(3), OF THE
19 ANNOTATED CODE OF MARYLAND, THE CITY OF ABERDEEN, EFFECTIVE
20 AUGUST 1, 2013, GENERALLY EXEMPTS ITSELF FROM THE PROVISIONS OF
21 ALL LAWS OF HARFORD COUNTY ENACTED BEFORE, ON OR AFTER THAT
22 DATE AND DEALING WITH MATTERS IN WHICH THE CITY IS LAWFULLY
23 EMPOWERED BY STATE LAW OR ITS OWN CHARTER TO ACT. THE ONLY
24 LAWS OF HARFORD COUNTY WHICH WILL APPLY WITHIN THE CITY OF
25 ABERDEEN ON AND AFTER AUGUST 1, 2013, ARE THOSE DEFINED BY
26 MARYLAND LAW TO APPLY AND THOSE WHICH HAVE BEEN EXPRESSLY
27 ADOPTED BY REFERENCE BY THE CITY. THIS EXEMPTION SHALL NOT
28 PREVENT THE CITY OF ABERDEEN FROM REACHING MUTUAL AGREEMENT
29 WITH HARFORD COUNTY FOR THE ENFORCEMENT OF SPECIFIC LAWS OF
30 THE COUNTY OR CITY BY COUNTY OFFICIALS OR THEIR AGENTS.

1 **SECTION 2. AND BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED BY THE COUNCIL OF THE**
2 **CITY OF ABERDEEN** that the date of adoption of this Resolution is May 20, 2013, and the
3 amendment of the Charter of the City of Aberdeen hereby enacted shall become effective on
4 August 1, 2013, unless a proper petition for referendum hereon shall be filed as permitted by
5 law, provided a complete and exact copy of this Resolution shall be continuously posted on the
6 bulletin board in Aberdeen City Hall until June 29, 2013, and provided further that a copy of the
7 title of this Resolution shall be published in The Record, a newspaper of general circulation in
8 the City of Aberdeen, or in any other newspaper of such general circulation, once in each of the
9 weeks beginning May 24, May 31, June 7, and June 14, 2013.

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11 **SECTION 3. AND BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED BY THE COUNCIL OF THE**
12 **CITY OF ABERDEEN** that the City Clerk is hereby specifically commanded to carry out the
13 provisions of Section 2, hereof, and, as evidence of such compliance, the City Clerk shall cause
14 to be maintained appropriate certificates of publication of the newspaper or newspapers in which
15 the title of the Resolution shall have been published. If a favorable referendum is held on the
16 Charter change, the Mayor shall proclaim the Charter change hereby enacted to have been
17 approved by the voters and the charter amendment shall become effective on the date provided
18 by law.

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20 **SECTION 4. AND BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED BY THE COUNCIL OF THE**
21 **CITY OF ABERDEEN** that as soon as the Charter Amendment hereby enacted shall become
22 effective, either as provided herein or following a referendum, the City Clerk shall send by mail
23 to the Department of Legislative Services of Maryland, a clear certified copy of this Resolution
24 showing the number of Councilpersons voting for and against it and a report on the votes cast for
25 or against the amendment hereby enacted at any referendum thereon and the date of such
26 referendum.

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28 The above Charter Amendment was enacted by the foregoing Resolution which was
29 passed at a regular meeting of the Council of the City of Aberdeen on May 20, 2013, five (5)
30 members of the Council voting in the affirmative, 0 (zero) members of the Council voting in the
31 negative, 0 (zero) members of the Council abstaining, and 0 (zero) members of the Council
32 absent, and the said Resolution becomes effective accordance with the law on the 1st day of
33 August, 2013.

EXPLANATION:

CAPITALS INDICATE MATTER ADDED TO EXISTING LAW

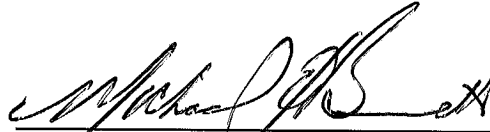
((Double Parenthesis)) indicate matter deleted from existing law.

Underlining indicates amendments to bill.

~~Strike Out~~ indicates matter stricken from bill by amendment or deleted from the law by amendment.

* * * indicates existing unmodified text omitted from Ordinance

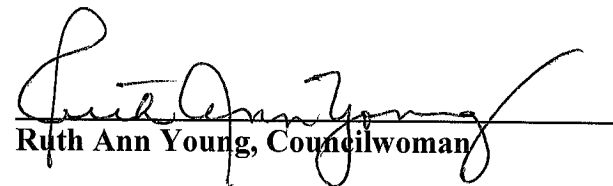
COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF ABERDEEN


Michael E. Bennett, Mayor


Ruth E. Elliott, Councilwoman


Bruce E. Garner, Councilman


Sandra J. Landbeck, Councilwoman


Ruth Ann Young, Councilwoman

ATTEST:

SEAL:


Monica A. Correll, City Clerk

Date May 20, 2013